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## NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

## Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 12/31/2001 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 11/07/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The required items noted below SHOULD be filed along with any items required above. The filing date of this nonprovisional application will be the date of receipt of the items required above.

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Docketed: 1/7/02  
*Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- The application was filed in a language other than English. Applicant is required to provide an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate. (See 37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 710. Docketed: 1/7/02

*A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.*

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Applicant(s):

Dubois, *et al.*

Serial No: 09/945,559

Filed: August 30, 2001



) Title: SECURE DATA SUPPORT  
) HAVING OPTICAL CHARACTER  
) RECOGNITION

) Group Art Unit: Unknown

) Examiner: Unknown

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY**

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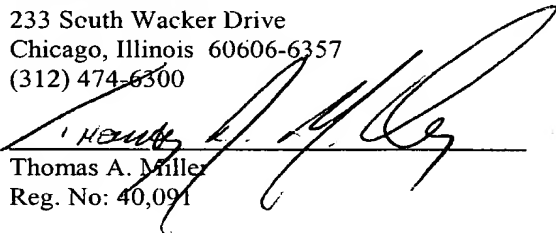
Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply dated January 23, 2002, the applicants respectfully submit that all requirements for the above-referenced application have indeed been filed. In the Notice of Incomplete Reply, it was indicated that the statutory basic filing fee of \$710.00 had not been submitted, and that an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate had not been filed. The applicants respectfully disagree. The \$710.00 filing fee was submitted by a check on January 4, 2002. The English translation and a statement that the translation is accurate were filed on November 8, 2001. Copies of transmittal pages for both submissions are enclosed herewith for your reference. Accordingly, the applicants respectfully submit that the application is complete. Should the examiner have any question, he is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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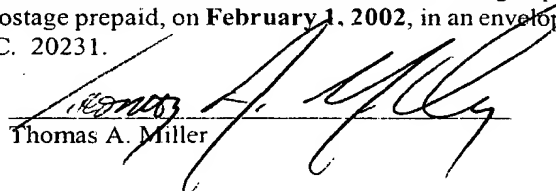
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Dubois, et al.	)	HAVING OPTICAL CHARACTER
	)	RECOGNITION
Serial No: 09/945,559	)	Group Art Unit: Unknown
Filed: August 30, 2001	)	Examiner: Unknown
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Sir:

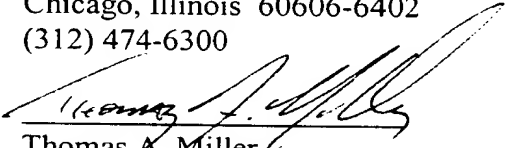
Enclosed herewith is the English translation for the above-referenced application. In the application, the specification has 13 pages, the claims have 5 pages, and there is 1 sheet of drawings. The fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) of \$130.00 is included.

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.52(d), the applicant affirms that the enclosed translation is a complete and accurate translation of the French text filed on August 30, 2001. The applicant further requests that the English translation be used for the purpose of examination by the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Respectfully submitted,

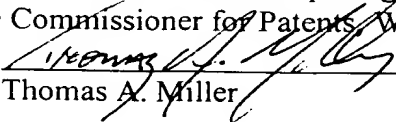
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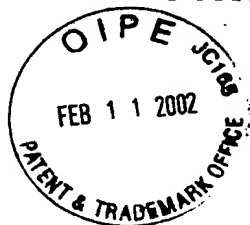
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**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS**

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated November 7, 2001, applicants hereby submit the statutory basic filing fee of \$710.00 to complete the above-referenced application. The inventor declaration was filed on November 29, 2001, along with a check for \$130.00 to cover the late filing surcharge, while the English translation of the application was filed on November 8, 2001, along with the \$130.00 fee required therefor. Based on the foregoing, all parts of the application have now been submitted to the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office and the application is complete. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application is enclosed with this reply.

Respectfully submitted,

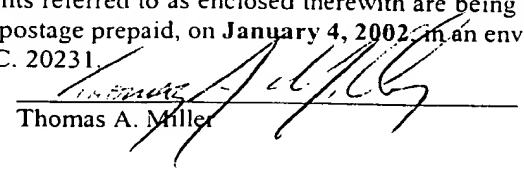
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